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Office Action Summary

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 30 DAYS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on _____
- ☐ This action is **FINAL**.
- ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11; 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- ☒ Claim(s) 1-15, 18 and 19 is/are pending in the application.
- ☐ Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are rejected.
- ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- ☒ Claim(s) 1-15, 18 and 19 are subject to restriction or election requirement

Application Papers

- ☐ The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is ☐ approved ☐ disapproved.
- ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner
- ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a)-(d)

- ☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a)-(d).
- ☐ All ☐ Some* ☐ None of the:
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a))

*Certified copies not received: _____

Attachment(s)

- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____
- ☐ Interview Summary, PTO-413
- ☐ Notice of Reference(s) Cited, PTO-892
- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
- ☐ Other _____

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The claims in the application are claims 1--15, 18 and 19.

This application has been found to contain more than one invention. Therefore, restriction to one of the following distinct inventions is required:

- (I) Claims 1--10, 15, 18 and 19 drawn to the uracil product here and a herbicided method of use in class 544 and 504.
- (II) Claim 11 drawn to multiple methods of preparing the compounds of claim 1; restrictable under MPEP 806.05(f) and 37 CFR 1.475.
- (III) Claim 12 drawn to isocyanates in class 558, that do not retain the uracil structures.
- (IV) Claim 13 drawn to carbamates in class 560, that do not retain the uracil structure.
- (V) Claim 14 drawn to amines in class 564, that do not retain the uracil structure.

These distinct inventions have acquired separate status in the art, will support separate patents, and will require different fields of search for the respective inventions. Accordingly, restriction for examination purposes, as indicated, is considered proper; 35 U.S.C. 121; 37 CFR 1.141 and 37 CFR 1.142 and 37 CFR 1.475.

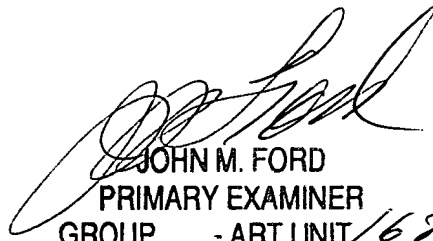
This application has not been checked to the extent necessary to determine the presence of all possible minor errors. Applicants' cooperation is, therefore, requested in promptly correcting any errors of which they may become aware in the specification.

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Applicants' response must include a provisional election, even if the requirement be traversed, see 37 CFR 1.143 and 37 CFR 1.144, and 37 CFR 1.499.

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